control facilities by the cement sector having capacity of 110 million tonnes per annum would be approximately Rupees 1650 crores.

The names and amount spent in case of oil refineries for pollution control measures are as under:—

SI. No.	Name of the refineries	Amount spent during last three years
1.	Hindustan Petrochemicals Ltd. Visakhapatnam	Rs. 601.25 Crores
2.	Bharat Petrochemicals Ltd., Mumbai	Rs. 629.81 Crores
3.	Chennai Petrochemicals Ltd., Chennai.	Rs. 569.50 Crores
4.	Indian Oil Corporation Ltd., Barauni.	Rs. 53.00 Lacs

All new cement factories and refineries are required to install and operate pollution control devices, before commencing their production.

Deaths of peacocks on account of insecticides

4609. SHRI SWARAJ KAUSHAL: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of peacocks died recently;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the deaths have occurred due to insecticide treated seeds; if so, what steps Government propose to take to prevent these deaths on account of insecticides?

THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) to (c) Cases of deaths of peafowls have been reported from different States during the recent past. Investigations

have revealed that many of them have died after consuming pesticide treated seeds sown in agricultural fields.

The steps taken by the Government to prevent deaths of peafowls due to insecticides are as follows:

i. Awareness is generated amongst the farmers for using Bio-pesticides and non-poisonous chemicals in their fields.
ii. The farmers are advised to cover the seeds with soil immediately after sowing.
iii. The forest field staff have been instructed to maintain vigil in sensitive areas.
iv. The Animal Husbandary Departments have been advised to provide veterinary help to the sick birds.
v. Awareness is generated amongst villages to report such instances of poisoning cases to the Veterinary Officers so that timely treatment can be provided to the birds.

Gang cutting trees in Andaman Island

4610. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA:
SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA:
SHRI YADLAPATI VENKAT RAO:
SHRI K. KALAVENKATA RAO:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that gangs from Myanmar, Indonesia and Sri Lanka are having a free run in India's Exclusive Economic Zone, looting seabed treasure like sea cucumber and cutting down trees of the Andaman Island;

(b) whether Diglipur and Mayarwende Island lost almost all the tree wealth;

(c) the reasons for which the marine police failed to catch them; and

(d) the action taken to save marine wealth by providing adequate number of patrol boats to marine police?